TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE FOR WEST END REUNION

Tickets are still available for the 1988 West End Reunion to be held at the Wonderland Ballroom Downstairs on Sunday evening at 8:00 October 9, 1988. You can contact anyone of the following names on the list of committee members by phone or by mail.

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Barbara (Pasqua) LoVuolo, 36 Randall Road, Reading 01867 — 944-4623.

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Raymond J. Papa, 34 Garfield Avenue, Revere 02151 — 289-0956.

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Joe LoPiccolo, 38 Greenwood Avenue, Hyde Park 02136 — 361-8752.

Stanley Freedman, 28 Gaslight Lane, Easton, 02334 — 1-238-1891.

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William Downey, 59 Congreve Street, Roslindale, 02131 — 327-8423.

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We look forward to seeing all of you again and feel confident that this will be the best reunion ever.

The last issue of the West Ender listed 2 wrong phone numbers and left out 1 number altogether. My apology to Lovey, Marie and Raymond. The phone numbers and addresses that are listed above are correct.

There will be a box for donations to the West Ender at the October Reunion, Jim and Raymond will be in close proximity to meet our readers, who always say talk to you at the Reunion but who we never meet.

For our Somerville readers “The West Ender” will have a Show on S.C.A.T., the Somerville Cable Station. It will be aired at the end of September or early October. Check the Somerville Journal or call S.C.A.T. 628-8826.

Calendar Listing

Enjoy a unique opportunity to explore a part of Boston’s rich architectural heritage by visiting historic religious sites of the West End and Beacon Hill. Included in the second annual “The Splendor of Boston” self-guided walking tour are: the African Meeting House, Church of the Advent, Church of St. John the Evangelist, Friends Meeting House, Old West Church, St. Joseph’s Church, St. Margaret’s Convent Chapel, and others.

There will be frequent talks about art, architecture, and the decorative arts, in addition to brief musical programs. Also learn about churches and
synagogues of the West End, Bowdoin Square, and Beacon Hill that have been lost. Hours: 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 2, 1988. Admission: $10.00 in advance, $12.00 the day of the tour. Tickets will be available at Bostix and locations to be announced. For information contact Kathleen Kelly at 367-2458.

Thank You
Boston Preservation Alliance

Boston Public Library

The West End Branch Library welcomes the public to a special slide presentation "Urban Village — The Old West End of Boston," on Thursday evening, September 29th at 6:45 p.m. Speaker James Campana, Editor of the West Ender Newsletter, will give a visual tour of Herbert Gans' West End of the 1950's. The slides that will be shown were made from pictures that Gans took before the West End demolition, in preparation for his book The Urban Villagers, which is a classic text for sociology students in colleges and universities around the county. All interested are welcome to attend. Admission is free. The library is located at 151 Cambridge Street, Boston. For further information, call 523-3957.

West End Historical Committee

The West End Historical Committee was formed in May 1987, to gather and preserve historical materials on the Old West End of Boston. The formation of this committee allows for a systematic and comprehensive growth and development of this special collection which is housed in the West End Branch of the Boston Public Library, 151 Cambridge Street. Committee members include people from the present and former West End Community, and the collection is multimedia — photographs, slides, maps, tapes, videotapes and written materials. The committee has recently begun Oral History Taping Project of former West Enders, which attempts to capture the sights and culture of this once vibrant neighborhood. The end results will include an edited videotape for presentation and a booklet. The Oral History Taping project began in June. Every Wednesday, between 11:00 and 3:00 p.m., interviews are held at the West End Branch Library. People are interviewed and recorded on videotape. At present, the committee is borrowing a Camcorder and Tripod from Suffolk University, however, this does not allow for the flexibility of going out to people's homes to do interviewing, which is necessary when some of the interviewees are in their 90's. So far, 20 people have been interviewed, with another 30 signed up. If you are interested in participating in the project, either as a person being interviewed, or as an interviewer, please get in touch with Paula Posnick, West End Branch Library, 523-3957. Also if you would like to contribute towards a Camcorder, (the committee needs about $600 more), you can send donations care of the West End Historical Committee, 151 Cambridge Street, Boston, MA 02114.

A Note from the Printer

First of all I would like to apologize to all our readers for being late with this issue and mostly for such a short Newsletter.

We are in the process of changing over to our own equipment so our readers will really enjoy our Newsletter. When our December issue comes out it will be in the form of a Tabloid Newspaper, we will be more versatile. We will be able to do many, many different things with the Newsletter. We are looking forward to this big change and we hope that you will also be pleased with this change.

Thank You
Raymond J. Papa
Jimbo Campano
Joe LoPiccolo